

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Please cancel claims 13 and 30 without prejudice.

Please amend the following claims:

10. (Amended) A pump system comprising
an aircraft having an underside,
a tank onboard the aircraft for containing fluid, and
a substantially rigid tube member, connected to the aircraft in communication with
the tank, wherein the tube member is movable to a downward orientation rearward relative to
the aircraft for accessing a fluid source below the aircraft.

14. (Amended) The pump system of claim [13] 10, wherein the tube member
forms an angle of approximately 40° with the underside of the aircraft when the tube member is
in the downward orientation.

20. (Amended) A fluid conduit device comprising
a substantially rigid tube member having a proximal end configured for connection to an
aircraft in communication with an onboard tank, wherein the tube member is movable into a
downward orientation for accessing a fluid source spaced away from [below] the aircraft.

29. (Amended) A method of loading water onto an aircraft comprising
pumping fluid from a source through a tube member onto a tank on an aircraft, while
the aircraft moves over the source[.], and
directing the tube member rearward relative to the aircraft's direction of travel.